

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Serial No: NOT ASSIGNED

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For: ZIRCONIUM CERAMIC MATERIAL,  
OPTICAL FIBER CONNECTOR  
MEMBER USING THE SAME, AND  
METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAMEJC540 U.S. PTO  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application identified above.

- ☒ 7 sheet(s) of drawings (☒ formal ☐ informal) is(are) enclosed.
- ☒ 41 page(s) of specification and 1 page(s) of abstract of the invention are enclosed.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Kyocera Corporation ☒ is enclosed ☐ will follow.
- ☐ An associate power of attorney ☐ is enclosed ☐ will follow.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney ☒ is enclosed ☐ will follow.
- ☒ A certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 9-328973 filed November 28, 1997 from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is enclosed.
- ☒ IDS enclosed (☒ with references).
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,  
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- ☒ check in amount of \$1464.00 as filing fee
- ☒ patent application (41 page(s) of specification; 23 claim(s); 1 page(s) of abstract
- ☒ 7 sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status
- ☒ certified copy of Japanese patent application No. 9-328973 which was filed November 28, 1997 from which priority is claimed in the subject case pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement with 3 references
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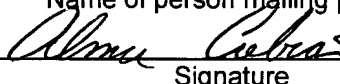
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